

REMARKS

This Amendment is in response to the Office Action of July 16, 2003. In that Office Action, claim 3 was indicated as being allowed and claims 1, 2, and 4-14 were rejected solely under 35 U.S.C. §112. Specifically, the Examiner concluded that claim 1 lacked an antecedent basis for "the first and second electrode" and that claim 4 was unclear due to an improper dependency.

In response to the Office Action, claim 1 has been amended to change "electrode" to "elongated conductive ablation members" as are previously recited in claim 1. A similar change also has been made in dependent claim 2. In addition, the improper independency of claim 4 has been corrected, and the language of claims 4 and 7 has been corrected.

For all the above reasons, it is respectfully submitted that the claims are now in condition for allowance, which is respectfully requested.

The title of the application has also been amended for consistency.

INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENTS

Applicant also requests that the references cited in the Third, Fourth and Fifth Supplemental Information Disclosure Statements mailed July 18, 2003, August 12, 2003, and September 18, 2003 be considered and made of record in this application.

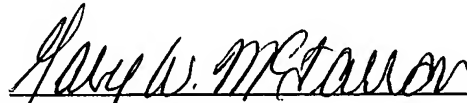
CONCLUSION

For all the above reasons, it is respectfully requested that the above-identified application be reconsidered and allowed.

Respectfully submitted,

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